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Over and over again, No matter which way I turn, always find in the Book of Life Some lessons I have to learn. must take my turn at the mill, I must grind out the golden grain,

Over and over again.

Over and over again.

We cannot measure the need Of even the tiniest flower, Nor check the flow of the golden sands That run through a single hour, But the morning dews must fail, And the sun and the summer rain Must do their part, and perform it all

The path that has once beer trod Is never so rough to the feet, And the less n we once have learned Is never so hard to repeat. Though sorrowful tears may fall, And the heart to its depth be driven With storm and tempest, we need them all

To render us meet for Heaven.

Tales, Shetches, Anecdotes, &c. EDDYSTONE LIGHTHOUSE.

178 HISTORY AND ROMANCE

A report was current on the evening of Wednesday that the Eddystone Lighthouse had been swept away by the storm. The light-keepers, it was added, had been drowned-a piece of unnecessary detail since if the news had been true that the waves had dashed down the beautiful and proud structure of Smeaton, they would have made short work of the poor creatures living in the desolate sea-tower. "Eddystone Lighthouse down?" people said, one to the other; "could such an event happen? Is it not the house built upon the rock,' against which the winds may roar and the waves beat till the stones wear out, but, till they wear out, no storm can lay it low ?" Yet who knows the power of an Atlantic roller, driven by

the fierce "sou'-wester !" A New York steamship, the Pereire, put out from Havre a short time ago to cross the ocean for America. She was as powerful and handsome a ship as could float, and one of the quickest among ocean-going steamers. Yet four days out, she ran her nose under a huge roller, piled up by the gale, and seven hundred tons of water, it is estimated, in one ugly gray avalanche of furious spome and swirl, broke upon her deck-crushing everything flat to the planking, breaking the backs of passengers, and with the blow of that one billow completely disabling the ship. It was asked whether, perchance, some such vast mass of the sea, driving up with the storm, and falling in the full power of its impulse upon the lighthouse, had crushed and annihilated it. In that case how sad the fate of the poor lighttrimmers, swept into death beyond all chance of escape, or even knowledge of

their doom ! No need to tell us that the three men were gone, if the lighthouse was no more ; their lives would be mere bubbles in the crash-one moment prolonged, and the next extinguished in the rush of the fierce waters over the leveled tower. And then thoughts arose of the peril which would ensue to homeward-bound vessels. Every captain coming up the channel is used to make out the fixed white light of the Eddystone, It is as sure to be there, with its friendly gleam, he thinks, as the white cliffs and green meadows of "home" beyond. Once inside the Lizard Point, the master's order is to "keep a look-out for the Eddystone;" and when it is seen "home" is as good as reached. The pilot presently comes out, and the ship's voyage is all but over. If the lighthouse were really gone, we might hear next that a great ship with her crew and cargo had gone bodily upon the dreadful stone, at the very moment when the mariners were wondering why they did not make out the well known beacon.

It would have to be built up again, too, at a heavy cost, and with an interval of long delay and danger; for even with modern appliances, it could be no small task to rival Smeaton, and place another Pharos upon the desolate, perilous crag. All these gloomy thoughts were happily brought to an end by the welcome news that the lighthouse was as safe as ever. The thick weather of the tempest had obscured the gleam, and some Plymouth bound vessel, we suppose, failing to make it out in the sea drift, had come into port with the notion that it was gone. Yesterday morning, however, the light was made out well enough from the breakwater, and we may trust that no gale, for many a long year to come, will shake down one of the noblest works created by man.

There seems no reason, indeed, why the Eddystone Lighthouse should not stand as long as the Pharos at Alexandria, which lasted from B. C. 470 to A. , D. 1303; almost, that is to say, for two thousand years. The famous Pharos, it around the base and over the sides of had correspondence with leading members Smeaton's tower. But the channel bea-Hotel and Saloon keepers will do well the light towers them. It is understood that he is determined by her, in a shout, that was informed by her, in a shout, that was of butter, at 40 cents per lb., and from buttermilk realized in calves and pork \$70.

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In building formerly occupied by T. G. Stewart of the Bell Rock, the Skerry Vore, what it may.

Bishop's Rock, the Brehat, Barffeur, and | JOSH, JEMIMA AND THE WOLVES. | tionable raiment" would follow the rest, many others, were fashioned after the example of this solid and perfect piece of construction. The waves themselves taught Smeaton how to build, for they for it Whenever he saw her his heart let nothing but the firmest work remain on that lashed and lonely rock.

EBENSBURG, PA., THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1869.

Every body knows the story of the place, how treacherous and deadly it was, lying under water right in the fair-way of must work at my task with a resolute the channel, till Winstanley, the mercer, first lighted the reef. Miss Ingelow has told, in charming verse, how the good haberdasher, sad at the loss of more than one of his ventures upon the Eddystone, lengthened by the addition of several vowed that no more lives and vessels others. should be cast away upon that rock if he could help it. People laughed at him for his courage and humanity: but he from Fleaburg. She came to "meetin" stuck to his purpose. After many fail- every Sabbath night, and would walk ur s he got his piles and cross beams fixed upon the reef, and hoisted the first light afraid of the wild beasts which at that over it. Thus many a life was preserved; time infested the country. But one night but at length the chann-I billows rose our hero resolved to bear the damsel comand swept the timber stuff all away in pany, and accordingly prepared for his November, 3170.

reared a strong tower, solid and wellthen called upon to set up something to destroy; and he went, as wise engineers should do, to nature. He saw the Pineapple mansion. how the bole of an oak tree holds up its gigantic mass against the fiercest winds, spreading head, and bend its vast limbs The knitted roots and thick base keep woods are full of wolves." the forest monarch firm; and Smeaton ted like the fibre of the tree, he laid his cred growl of a bear. lower courses. Upon these he raised his hollow super-structure, of great thickness and strength, but tapering upward inside courage at the sound of Jemima's voice,

If anybody wishes to read a "romance of real life," let him peruse Smeaton's "Narrative of the building of Eddystone Lighthouse," and he will see how man also learns to make "even the wildest waves obey him." It is remarkable that the form selected by the renowned engineer for his sea tower, as being nature's own idea of solidity in vertical erections, is nearly identical with the symbol used in the Egyptian hieroglyphics for 'strength." The priest represented that notion by the figure of an obelisk almost precisely resembling the outlines of Smeaton's lighthouse; and a hundred years of weather have proved that they and the ngineer new what they were about .-The light burned for the first time upon

burn through many sto my winter to com; And if we on land have almost affec tion for these sturdy turrets erected in defiance of the strongest forces of nature, to save life and property, and to light the mariner toward his home, what mest sailors feel? A landsman can scarcely realize the blessing of the friendly lights .-Smeaton's tower is, the huge erection shudders in the shock of such a tempest as has lately raged; the winds howl like maddened devils upon its head, while the big waves burst upon it sides, and fling their sheets of green and white right over the gallery and lanters. Strange sights and sounds are the recreation of those hermits of the tower-the stormtorn craft driving wildly past-the land birds dashing in the darkness against the glass of the light-and sea-wrecks, min-

against their water stairs. It is not for a little that men are found to live in the dismal solitude of such a place as the rooms under the Eddystone lamp. Two watchers used to keep this melancholy but useful garrison; but one died, and the other was forced to live with the corpse till the relief arrived, lest he should be accused of murder. Since house. The sailor best knows how well worth pains and cost the trouble and scrupulous attention are. Each sunset finds the patient keepers carefully trimming the light and setting the polished reflectors, and not for a moment is that brilliant glare allowed to relax.

The light-keeper can not see what help he gives; his business is to guard the bright monitory gleam. But, far away from his rock, the blasted mariner, anxious and in doubt, suddenly "makes out the Eddystone." Some keen eye forward or aloft catches the tiny spark over the dark waters, and then the lead-line and fearful watch are no more wanted. 'So shines," as Shakspeare says, "a good deed in a naughty world " A good and brave deed it was to plant the cross of help upon the ugly Channel-rock, as Winstanley first did, and as Smeaton after him succeeded in doing, with a work which many such gales as this sou'wester will leave safe and sound-the monument of man's audacity, and, better still, of man's brotherhood.

-It is known that General Grant has ing re-commenced. con was built to fight the billows, and it lect many of his Indian agents from among

Josh Staver loved Jemima Pineapple. Loved her did I say ? Love was no name bounded up into his throat so violently that he was thrown to the ground. Cold chills would run all over him, as he expressed it, "from the sole of his head to the crown of his foot," Jemima was pretty, to Josh; her hair, "red as the red sea," large eyes which had the faculty of looking ways opposite each other at the same time, and a nose which looked as if it had been

Now Joshua had never escorted Jemima home, for she lived near two miles tears when he looked around. There across the fields all alone, not in the least nocturnal journey. He got his grand-Next, Redyard tried his hand, and father's horse pistol, and loaded it to the muzzle, and thrust a large butcher-knife planned enough; but in this case fire did in his bosom, which thrust didn't hurt &c., &c. what water failed to effect, and the build- him much, for it was the bosom of his ng was burned down. Smeaton was coat. A lantern completed his "fixings."

The meeting closed, and Josh, with Jewhich neither water or fire should be able mima leaning on his arm like a large gourd hanging from a tall vine, set out for

"We are in the woods now, Jemima," said Josh. as he assisted his partner over although they lay hold of its green and the fence of the last field, "and now comes the tug of war. I'll bet a dime that these

"I think they will not attack us; but resolved to make a sea-oak tree of his if they do, oh! Joshua, on thy arm I will lighthouse. Broad at the base, and solid recline and breathe my life out sweetly as the rock on which they stood, with there." And she gave such a sigh that their stones bound together and inter-knit- Josh started, thinking it the half smoth-"What's the matter, Josh ?"

> he squeezed her arm till she nearly screamed aloud.

"Oh, nothing." And gaining new

Suddenly a strange cry echoed through the woods.

"Wolves!" shouted Josh. "Bears!" re-echoed his partner. "Come, Jemima, let us git." And

Through the woods they went, Josh literally dragging Jemima along. The foe was approaching; the couple could hear his footsteps in the leaves, for they had wandered from the path

"Josh, I can't go any farther; we must 'tree' it," said Jemima, as she paused for

"By gosh, we must. Here is a tree with its limbs nigh-hanging on the ground. Climb it, Jemima! Here I go. Gad! if the animal climbs the tree, what the new building in October, 1759; it then?" And with a bound the terrified burns now, all safely; and it is likely to Joshua climbed up the tree, leaving Jemima to follow him or be devoured by the

terrible pursuer a few feet in their wake. But Jemima was an old climber, and was soon beside Josh, who was perched in one of the highest branches of the tree. "Listen, Jemima; hear the horrible thing gnawing at the tree. It is wolves, He knows that they save life. Firm as sure's shootin'. They will gnaw the trea down in half an bour."

"I fear so, Joshua." "But behold, Jemima! I've got a pistol," said our hero, thinking of his weapon for the first time that night. "Now. just keep still while I shoot."

He deliberately cocked the weapon, pointed it down through the branches where their pursuer was pawing among the leaves, and fired. It was a destructive shot, and Josh went spinning through the tree like greased lightning. He had loadgled sometimes with dead abodies, flung ed his pistol so heavily that it had kicked him from his perch into the jaws of the animal below. But fortunately he alighted on his feet, and in an instant he was again up the tree, hatless, his red locks catching in the lim bs, which cruelly tore them from his head,"

"I was a durned fool, Jemima, to have loaded that pistol so heavily, and it kicked me right into the wolve's months; but. that time three have always occupied the thank Moses, I escaped. Just feel my

Jemima placed her hand upon Josh's cranium, and withdrew it wet with gore. "That is my blood, shed for you, Jemima, and I am willing to s! e! more, deg oned if I ain't." "Can the wolves climb ?"

"Climb like rabbits, Jemima; and every minute I am looking to see them come up here. I do believe my shot killed half a dozen of them. Listen at them gnawing. If we could only keep them gnawing at something else besides the tree, till daylight, we should be safe."

"Well, I'll try them; so first here goes my boots," and taking off his fine boots, Josh groped his way out on a limb.

"Farewell, dear boots, bran new ones, ost eight dollars this blessed morning. Farewell, I sacrifice you for Jemima." and the splendid boots were gone.

"Blast him! he ain't satisfied with "fff" to "pianissimo," without giving eight dollars' worth of leather, so I'll have the lady warning; consequently the audito give him seventeen dollars' worth of ence were somewhat amused at being

at which declaration Jemima blushed, and said

"Oh! Joshua." determinedly, and would no doubt make

his word good.

But the vest satisfied the animal beneath the tree, and a few hours later morning dawned. The lovers, for they wolves. The gnawing that they had beard was the harmless animal chewing at some undergrowth, which grew plenti-

lay the boots, but ruined forever; here the coat and vest chewed into pulp. They said nothing, but proceeded to the Pineapple mansion, where they told a New Orleans for a load of cotton, and doleful story ahout being treed by wolves; how Joshua had sacrificed his clothes to save their lives; how he slaughtered days there had been squally weather. nearly forty of the ravenous animals,

Old Pineapple said such bravery and devotion should not go unrewarded, and, placing Jemima's hand in Josh's, told him to take her as his mate.

P. S -They were married and now live in a little hut with one room and a garret, near Fleaburg, now a flourishing

"burg" on Turtle Creek. N. B. - Jemima's pet calf was never seen after the night it treed the devoted couple. We rather guess it didn't.

THE VEGETABLE KINGDOM -The term vegetable - sometimes pronounced "wegetable"-is probably derived from the peculiar long and pointed form of this description of esculents, hence originally called wedge-eatable, then wegetable, and now refined into the present term.

Annual flowering plants resemble whales, as they come up to blow

Flowers are very warlike in their disposition, and are ever armed with pistils They are migratory in their habits, for wherever they may winter, they are sure to leave in the spring, most of them very

polite and full of boughs. Like dandies, the coating of many trees is their most valuable portion. Cork trees and boot trees, for instance.

Grain and seeds are not considered dangerous, except when about to shoot. Several trees, like watch dogs, are val-

ued mostly for their bark. A little bark will make a rope, but it takes a large pile of wood for a cord.

Though there are no vegetable beaux, here are a number of spruce trees. It is considered only right and proper to axe trees before you fell them.

Fruit trees have military characteristics. When young, they are trained, they have kernels, and their shoots are straight. Grain must be treated like infants: then the head bends, it must be cradled and thrashing is resorted to fit it for use. Tares are mostly found with smaller

grains-which require sowing. Great indulgence in fruit is dangerous, and too free abuse of melons produce a meloncholic effect.

Old maids are fond of pairs - but cannot endure any reference to dates. Sailors are attached to bays; oystermen to beeches; love sick maidens to pine.

AN AQUEOUS FACT. - A correspondent of the Philadelphia Sunday Transcript tells the following good story: I heard a funny story the other day. I'm sure it has never been published, for the incident occurred just across the Missouri river from this place. A couple, somewhat advanced in life, who had for many years been noted for their profanity, were converted during a revival of religion in their native place. Every one interested in the progress of Christian religion was rejoiced at the radical change. Everything went along smoothly, and with many other converts, they "went down to the water" to be baptized. The day was exceedingly cold. Mr. S- went into the water first, while his wife watched him standing upon the bank of the river. No sooner had the old gentleman touched dry land than he startled the bystanders by calling ont to Mrs. S-in his own peculiar drawl-

"Poll !-P-o-ll !-I-say,-don't go down into that ar water-it's colder than

Nor so Loud .- The New York Evening Post says: It is perhaps a little too much to say that ladies ought not to talk "Maybe they are like bears, Joshua, at concerts, for that is partly what many they will eat anything you throw to of them go to concerts for. But that they ought not to raise their voices too high, is made plain by a little story which we find in Mr. Hopkins' Philharmonic Journal, During a concert in the Boston Music Hall, recently, when the organist was "exhibiting the full power of the instrument," a lady was enthusiastically conversing with her neighbor about her household For awhile the animal ceased gnawing arrangements. She suited the tones of In going up hill the spring exhausts itself, the tree, and gnawed the boots, Josh curs- her voice to those of the organ, but "reck- but in going down hill it winds itself up.-ing inwardly the while. At last the gnaw- oned without her host" this time. The organist made a sudden transition from cloth," and away went his coat; it was informed by her, in a shout, that was ing, and Josh declared that his "unmen- butter!"

A DOG SAVING A SHIP.

A few years ago a sea captain from Massachusetts who was in Havre, France, "Blast if I don't, Jensima," he spoke obtained there a fine little rat terrier, which he called Neptune, to be a companion on his voyage. Little Neptune soon learned to like the vessel, and he would run up ladders like a little sailor. though he could not come down without were such now, descended the tree, when help. After the vessel had been at sea lo! to their astonishment they held Jemi- some weeks or months, when they began ma's pet calf chewing at Josh's coat, - to approach land, before it could be seen They realized all in an instant. It was by the men, Nep. would mount up high the calf which followed them, and not on the forward part of the ship and sniff and sniff, and bark and show signs of joy His scent enabled him to smell the land before it could be seen. He would also fully around. Josh's eyes filled with detect the approach of another ship when he could not see it, in the same way.

> When Nep, had been to sea with his master about two years, the Hortensiathat was the vessel's name-had been to was on her way out of the Gulf of Mexico into the Atlaniic ocean. For some with light buffling winds and the vessel had not sailed very rapidly, but she was in a dangerous neighborhood and a constant watch was necessary, for along the coast of Florida are long, low reefs and islands and bars which have caused the destruction of many vessels.

> It had been the captain's watch in the early part of the night-that is, the captain, with a few men, remained upon the deck, while the rest slept; then the others, at the sound of the bell, came upon deck the mate took charge of the ship, the men who had been watching went below, and the captain, after telling the mate to call him before three o'clock. went below and turned into his berth to sleep. Nep. lay at his master's state room door, for that was his sleeping place. There lies on the Florida straits a large and dangerous rock called the Double Headed Shot Keys. A lighthouse is uilt upon it, that vessels may be kept from rusning upon it in the night. "Be sure to call me by three o'clock" said the captain, "as by that time we shall be up with the Double Headed Shot Keys and sooner if there is a change in the weath-

The night wors on, and all was still but the splashing of the water. The mate went below to get something from his chest, sat down upon it for a few minutes, and before he knew it, was fast asleep. The men on deck, receiving no orders, supposed all was right, and one by one they too fell asleep. No one was awake but a little Spanish boy, whose turn it was to be at the wheel that is, the helm, where they steer the vessel

Meanwhile the wind changed, a stiff

breeze sprung up, the sails were filled, and the Hortensia ploughed through the ocean briskly, straight toward the Double Headed Shot Keys. The little Spanish boy, half asleep at the helm, knew not of the danger, neither could he see ahead from where he stood; for the great sails concealed the view of the light-house; but Nop., the good sailor that he was, discovered that land was near-he smelt it. and he saw the light. He rushed down to his master's state room, and barked and jumped up to him as he lay in his berth. "Get down, Be still, Nep." said the sleepy captain. But Nep. would not be still. He only barked the louder. "Be still," said the captain again; and he pushed the dog away -Again the faithful little fellow jumped up, pulling his master's sleeve, and took hold of his arm with his teeth. Then the captain, thoroughly roused, began to think something must be the matter.

He sprang up, and Nep. ran forward, barking, to the companion way. The captain's head no sooner came above the deck than he saw what was the matter. Right ahead was the fearful rock and the light-house, and the ship plunging towards it at the rate of nine miles an hour. He seized the heim, the ship struggled, swung round, and when her course was shifted, she was so near the rock that in threee minutes more she would have struck and been a wreck .-The sleeping sailors were roused to their duty, and the astonished mate rose from his nap on the chest to learn that but for the faithful dog the waves might have already closed over them.

Do you wonder that the captain thinks his dog is worth his weight in gold? He has been offered large sums of money for him, but money cannot buy him. He does not go to sea now. Nep. went as long as his master did, and now he makes himself quietly useful at home catching all the rats in the neighborhood. May he live to a good old age, the pet and admiration of all who know him !

A spring wagon has been invented by a gentleman in Maysville, Ky., which he proposes to run without any kind of an animal or steam power. He has already perfected a small model, which runs up or down hill very rapidly. The power is received from an immense coiled steel spring, which will run half an hour without being wound up. The inventor claims that he can carry very heavy loads over any ordinary road.

-Mr. N. W. Pierce, of Lerayville, Badford county, kept f ur cows during the summer of 1868, making and selling 800 lbs. of butter, at 40 cents per lb., and from